

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**AMENDED PETITION TO ACCEPT UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED CLAIM**

**FOR PRIORITY UNDER 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3) AND 37 CFR 1.55(c)**

Applicants have found errors in the priority claims for this application and petition the Commissioner to consider their unintentionally delayed claim for priority under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3) and 37 CFR 1.55(c). Applicants respectfully request that the following additional claims for priority be added to this application:

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 09/545260, filed April 7, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6670257, which claims priority from European Patent Application No. 99830206.1, filed April 9, 1999, now EP Patent No. 1043770.

Applicants submit herewith the required fee under 37 CFR 1.17(t).

Applicants have requested an amendment to the Specification to include the additional priority claims. Applicants hereby state that the entire delay between the date the priority claims were due under 37 CFR 1.55(a)(1) and 37 CFR 1.78(a)(2)(ii) and the date the priority claims are being filed is unintentional. The reason for the unintentional delay was two different attorneys for Applicants were working on two different classes of inventions, and thus, were unaware that additional priority claims were needed.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge the required fees or credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account 50-3420, reference (Valoir).

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